





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Yuuichiro KAJIWARA et al.

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Group Art Unit 1713

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2004, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975